

BAR HILL NEWS

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Message from the Maple Surgery Partners

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The reason for this excellent performance is due to our hardworking Maple team. After some staff turnover, we have now created a very dedicated and highly trained admin/reception/management team. However, retaining a team of doctors is sadly proving much more difficult.

The major obstacle lies in the fact that the temporary contract with NHS Cambridgeshire, having already been extended twice, expires at the end of March 2013. These short term contracts apply to only a few GP Practices and are a very recent NHS development, designed in theory to ensure that the NHS is getting the best possible deal for its patients. Unfortunately by its very nature, it is preventing us from being able to offer excellent doctors like Dr Gillard, Dr Ng and now very sadly Dr Tiffin, the satisfaction and security of a long term contract. As we're sure patients will appreciate, if these excellent doctors can get the guarantee of a long term contract elsewhere in a GP practice, they will seize the opportunity.

We are working very hard in partnership with NHS Cambridgeshire to try and resolve this problem. Please rest assured that we are determined to build on these excellent foundations and are already hard at work on our bid for the contract tender from April 2013.

Copy date for the next issue is 15th August to Margaret Sellars at bhneditor@yahoo.com, or see page 2 for other contact details.

BAR HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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EDITORIAL

There is no charge for Articles, What's On, For Sale and Lost and Found, and these appear at the Editor's discretion. Please submit items by 15th of the month.

All telephone numbers without an area code are Crafts Hill (01954).

All items can be submitted electronically on disc or to bhneditor@yahoo.com, or hard copy via Parish Council Office.

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Dear Editor

I'd like to extend my thanks to the gentleman in Foxhollow who found my mobile phone in his garden after the person who took it from outside my house threw it over his garden wall. It's a sad world when people get a kick out of other peoples misery and I'm grateful that this time I got my property back safe and sound.

Pauline

Acorn Avenue

Dear Editor

I am pleased to report that the Village Hall Patio is now finished. Unfortunately because of the cancellation of the Village Fête many of you will not have been able to see it but I'm sure that those that have will agree it looks very nice and usable. Thank you to all the sponsors. A plan of those sponsors will be hung in the Village Hall

Jon York

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Please find below a link to a press release on www.startnow.org.uk, a new website to help people plan events to bring communities together. We hope that your readers will find it informative and useful.

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/CMSWebsite/Apps/News/Details.aspx?ref=613>

Dear Editor

It was with great regret and sadness that the Bar Hill Village Fête Committee decide on the morning of the Fête, 14th July, that it was impossible for the event to proceed given the waterlogged state of the village green. In the previous week we met almost daily to gauge the status of the Village Green and even on the day before we had made significant changes to the Fête but believed it could still have gone ahead. Unfortunately the rainfall, which was much more severe than forecast, on the Friday night before the event washed all those plans away. I would like to thank the stall holders for their understanding, and apologise again to people who had planned to attend.

Unfortunately as it is so late in the year we have no plans to reschedule the event in 2012 and will instead attempt to make next year's Fête, the 35 Anniversary, all the more special.

Buntly Waters (Chairman)

(on behalf of the Village Fête Committee)

<http://www.barhillvillagefete.org>

LOST

Man's gold Seiko wrist watch on the 5th July near the Saxon Way/Trafalgar Way entrance to the industrial estate.

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Elderly people targeted in distraction burglaries

POLICE are appealing for information after three distraction burglaries over two days in South Cambridgeshire and East Cambridgeshire.

In the latest incident three men tried to distract an elderly woman at her home. The men, claiming to be from the 'gas board', called at her home at 7.50 pm. They asked to turn the gas off as there was a problem in the area, one of the men went through to the kitchen while the other two stood outside. Nothing was stolen. The men left when neighbours chased the men off.

The first man is described as white, about six foot and slim. He had black hair and was wearing a blue shirt. The second man was white, about 5'6", with brown hair and was wearing a brown suit.

The third man is described as white and smartly dressed.

A further two incidents happened in South Cambridgeshire. A man knocked at the home of an elderly couple asking for a pen and paper. While they searched for a piece of paper the man left, the couple later noticed two handbags were missing and money had been stolen. The man is described as white, between 16 and 20, 5'11" and was wearing blue bottoms with a white stripe, a white tracksuit top and white trainers.

The second incident happened shortly after 10 am. An elderly man opened the door to a man claiming there had been an explosion and water needed to be flushed in his pipes. The victim let him into his house but was suspicious, when he threatened to call the police the man left and nothing was stolen.

Detective Inspector Ian Simmons, who is investigating, said: "All of these offences are targeting vulnerable people and are despicable crimes. I would urge the community to look out for their elderly neighbours, be vigilant and report any suspicious behaviour."

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I will lead this group but I do need the input from residents. Are you a person bursting with ideas but no outlet for them? Come and join me. We can meet in the Parish Council Office at a mutually convenient time. Please contact me if you are interested.

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Our programme for the next school term is; -

- 6 September - Enrolment evening
- 4 October - Countryside restoration trust
- 1 November - To be announced
- 6 December - Xmas meal (members only)

New members are always welcome. If you would like to join us or come for a visit please come along to one of our meetings where we would be very pleased to see you. If you prefer to have a chat about the club please telephone Barbara (204171) Adela (204265) or Ann (204687)

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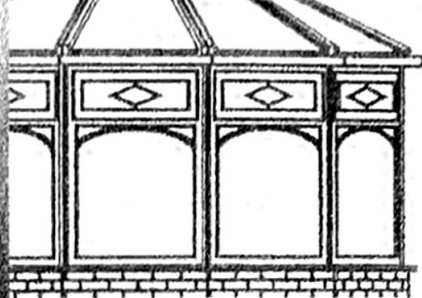
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At the time of writing, we've had 29 matches cancelled or postponed this season because of our "summer" weather. With only six or seven weeks to go in the season, it feels as though we have never got started.

Of the few matches that have been played in the last month, pride of place belongs to the under-12's, who tasted victory for the first time by beating Over in a thrilling match.

Every player made a contribution, but it was **Harry Bray's** innings of 24 not out which was crucial to earning victory by two wickets with only two balls left of the match.

Harry also had a good day against Longstanton, when he took six wickets at a cost of only 15 runs – the fourth best bowling figures ever recorded by a Bar Hill youth player. However, victory eluded the team on that occasion.

They were also narrowly beaten by Histon, despite a good bowling spell by **Jonah Critten**, who took 4 for 16. But those defeats were soon forgotten when the team bounced back to win that Over match.

As for the adult teams, the best performances came from the first team against Cambridge NCI III and the seconds against Willingham II.

Josh Harris hit 56 and **Pip Dickinson** 45 against NCI, as Bar Hill made 179 for 9. **Will Stock** then took four wickets and **Sean Prosser** three as NCI were restricted to 114 for 9.

However, the firsts lost their other two matches in the month. **Scott Stanford** and **Nathan Dean** took three wickets each against Cambridge Granta III to bowl out the opposition for 141, but an indifferent batting display saw Bar Hill lose by 30 runs. A first team depleted by members being on a stag do were also well beaten by Haslingfield. On that note, the club congratulates Sarah and Sam on their big day!

The seconds' victory over Willingham owed much to **Muhammad Iqbal** hitting 48 and **Peter Howard** 47 as Bar Hill reached their target of 182. **Martin Haslop** had earlier taken four wickets and **Adam Dean** three.

The midweek league suffered defeats to Ridgeons and Medimunne. **Sean Prosser** took three wickets against the former and **Peter Howard** (37) and **Chris Howse** (25) enjoyed a good partnership against the latter.

Tuesday night training sessions will continue for the under-12's throughout the summer, subject to demand, from 6.30 pm to 8 pm on Tuesdays. Please visit our website at www.barhillcricket.org.uk for the latest news.

Remaining fixtures:

Sat Aug 4 – Cambridge Granta III (H, first XI)
Sat Aug 4 – Sutton II (A, second XI)
Sat Aug 11 – Milton (H, first XI)
Sat Aug 11 – Elsworth II (A, second XI)
Sat Aug 18 – Wilbrahams II (A, first XI)
Sat Aug 18 – Sutton II (H, second XI)

Sat Aug 25 – Little Shelford (H, first XI)

Sat Aug 25 – Over II (A, second XI)

Sat Sep 1 – Haslingfield (H, first XI)

Paul Stimpson

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MESSAGE FROM PCSO MANI

The Skate Park in Bar Hill has had numerous visits from myself and my colleagues and so far all appears to be in order. I have identified certain characters making use of the area for reasons other than that for which it is intended, therefore we are fully aware who to look for when we attend the location. We will continue to pay attention to the Skate Park, and I would like to pass a message onto all the young people making use of the area, **Police will stop search anyone behaving in a suspicious manner. If you are found to have possession of cannabis, there will be no excuses, you could be arrested and dealt with accordingly.**

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This now gives our girls the opportunity to continue playing football in our village when their time with the Colts has finished. We currently have younger girls playing at under 14 and at under 10 who will benefit in years to come.



The boys have always had an outlet to continue playing football with our Saturday and Sunday adults teams, but now the girls have a similar opportunity.

The women have been training for over a month now and are looking forward to their first match at the beginning of September. The team will be sporting the traditional colours of the Colts - blue and white - so please come along and give these players your support or if you are interested in playing please contact me (vickyneal1990@hotmail.com).

The summer months are quiet on the playing front but plenty of administration is required to get all the players registered to their respective leagues. We recently held our AGM and am pleased to say that some new faces have joined our set up - notably **Sharon Grieves** - Club coordinator with other entities and associations

Linda Ogilvie - Assistant welfare officer to **Mark Honeywood**

Below is the list of team managers and if any new players are interested, please contact accordingly...

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There has been some activity on the pitch...

BAR HILL FOXES OUTWIT THE WEATHER

The Whittlesford Tournament beckoned for the Bar Hill Foxes, with the same question being posed - will the tournament go ahead? Well it did, and without any rain. The Foxes entered two teams - Whites and Blues.

The Whites started off against Whittlesford and after an early slip to go 1-0 down, Bar Hill recovered well but could not get the equaliser. They totally dominated the second game against Chesterton and created some decent chances. **Charlie Parker** made the all-important breakthrough to score the only goal Warboys provided tough opposition in game 3, with **Miles Harvey** outstanding in goal. **Kieran Marsh** scored for Bar Hill after good work from **John Cornwell**, but the Whites could not hold on, and it finished 1-1. The final 2 games both finished 1-0 to the opposition, but in very different circumstances. Sawston scored an unconvincing goal in the fourth game with Bar Hill unable to equalise, while Alconbury scored a great goal to win the final game.

The Blues started well, also kicking off against Whittlesford. **Reece Flatts** gave them an early lead, but an error gifted an equaliser. Great work from **Thomas Cheesley** gave **Callum Ukpedor** a tap in for the winner. Another good start and fine individual goal from **Thomas Cheesley** gave Bar Hill the lead, but Alconbury came back to win 2-1 in the second game. The third game never really got going against Shelford & Stapleford Strikers and Bar Hill lost 1-0. Chesterton took 10 seconds to take the lead in the fourth game, and soon made it 2-0. This sparked the Blues in to life and **Thomas Cheesley** pulled a goal back, and they were unlucky not to get an equaliser. The final game ended 3-0 to Histon. Bar Hill created chances, but were caught on the break.

Every player gave their all, and most games lost were by the odd goal - on another day, who knows! A good tournament, helped by the break in the rain - well done to players and parents who came.

TESCO VOUCHERS

Again this year we collected these vouchers, but instead of utilising these ourselves, it was decided that we would donate our collection to other organisations. It was agreed that we would equally share our vouchers to the playgroup at the Village Hall and also the playgroup at Little Acorns. We hope both these groups can benefit from the 4,000+ vouchers that we collected.

AND FINALLY

I mentioned earlier that there is a lot of administration work required to keep a Club of our size going. At the recent County AGM, this fact was recognised when, my dad, **Paul Neal**, picked up the award of Secretary of the Year from Cambs FA who have over 300 affiliated Clubs including Cambridge United and City and Histon Football Clubs, that is some achievement and very well deserved.



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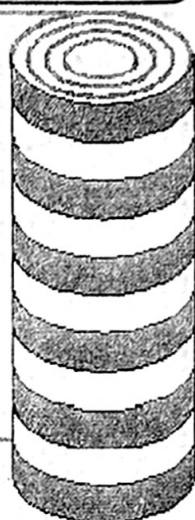
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- ◆ Use the computers (with free access to some pay-for sites).
- ◆ Come to events in the Library.
- ◆ Join the Friends.

Coffee in the Library

The Friends do not take a holiday during the summer. The August coffee morning will be on 2 August, from 10 am, and the one after that will be on 6 September. Library users are now used to social events going on while they choose their books, and increasing numbers have joined in over the last year. Why not come along yourself?



Fête

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Membership Draw	18th August,
Nicole Lawrence, X Factor Finalist	31st August
Membership Draw	1st September,

Looking Ahead...

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Nicole Lawrence

Nicole, X Factor finalist 2009, will be singing at the Club on Friday 31st of August.

Don't miss out on this great Singer!

Not a Member?

New members are always welcome, join now for £10. Pop in and have a look around. Please ask the bar staff for a membership form. See our website for opening times.

The club also has a junior membership for 16 and 17 years olds for a one off payment of £5. This is valid until full membership can be obtained at 18.

Andrew Wilkin

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Over the last month South Cambridgeshire has been the victim of crime because of an increase in the number of burglaries.

On Tuesday the 3rd July Bar Hill Primary School reported criminal damage. Offender has now been identified and will be dealt with accordingly.

Between Wednesday 4th July 2012 at 17:00 and Thursday 5th July 2012 at 05:40, Unknown offender(s) have smashed the driver's side window of a vehicle and stolen a Satellite Navigation System. This occurred in Appletrees Bar Hill.

There have been two crime reports of theft from Tesco Store: both crimes have been detected and offenders have been dealt with accordingly.

Between Monday 09th July 2012 at 23:59 and Tuesday 10th July 2012 at 06:00, a theft of 3 gallons of diesel was reported from the Bar Hill social club.

If you wish to report any other crime, suspicious behaviour or activity please ring our non-emergency number, 101. If you believe that a crime is in progress please ring 999. I also welcome anyone to contact me directly by emailing bujar.mani@cambs.pnn.police.uk if you wish to let me know of any issues you may be experiencing.

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REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS ROGER HALL AND BUNTY WATERS

CONSULTATION TO BE LAUNCHED ON COUNCIL TAX BENEFITS

Councillors agreed today to protect pensioners, people with disabilities, their carers, as well as lone parents with children under five from cuts in council tax discounts as they are the most vulnerable, but said they were keen to hear the views of residents as any decisions on cuts to other claimants' benefits are yet to be made.

The public consultation begins on Wednesday 1 August and will run until Friday 5 October. Residents will be able to have their say online by visiting www.scambs.gov.uk and information will be sent to every resident in the district in the Council's residents' magazine.

CONSULTATION LAUNCHED FOR SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DEVELOPMENT

A public consultation that seeks residents' views on how South Cambridgeshire should be developed over the next 20 years was launched on Thursday 12 July.

As part of the consultation everyone can give their views to help make sure the new homes, jobs and services South Cambridgeshire needs will be located in the most sustainable places whilst protecting the best of our built and natural heritage.

The consultation will run until Friday 28 September, giving extra time on top of the standard six weeks normally allowed due to the holiday season, when some residents and parish councils may be away.

A series of consultation events across the district have scheduled and will take place between 3 pm and 8 pm on the following dates:

- 3 September at Longstanton Village Institute
- 4 September at Gamlingay Village college
- 5 September at Great Shelford Memorial Hall
- 10 September at All Saints Church Hall, Cottenham
- 12 September at Linton Village College
- 14 September at Histon and Impington Recreation Ground Centre

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A14 - LATEST NEWS

The Government today (18 July) announced proposals for major investment along the A14 corridor in Cambridgeshire.

A major new road scheme involving tolling will be added to the Department for Transport's programme of major projects. Subject to agreement with interested local authorities on a funding package and decisions at the next Spending Review construction work could begin by 2018.

The plans are designed to address congestion and long term capacity issues on and around the strategically crucial A14.

They include a new bypass to replace the existing road around Huntingdon and upgrades along the A14 as far east as Milton. **Two new roads would be built in parallel to, with one on each side of, the current A14 immediately north of Cambridge for local use.** Meanwhile, the existing A14 carriageway will be upgraded through the removal of accesses and junctions, and improvements to junctions at the northern and southern ends.

Study work has confirmed that funding for these can be generated in part through tolling a length of the enhanced A14, featuring around 20 miles of new or widened road. However, more work will be taken to determine the best tolling solution, including what length the tolled section should be, how users would pay and what the tariff should be.

The schemes will now enter the DfT roads programme and begin detailed design and statutory processes. They are dependent on local government and commercial decision making and will now be considered in more detail by the relevant local authorities and local enterprise partnerships.

The A14 road improvement package includes:

Widening of the Cambridge Northern Bypass between Milton and Girton and enhancement of the Girton Interchange;

Provision of high standard roads for local traffic use running in parallel to an enhanced A14 carriageway between Girton and the area near the current Trinity Foot A14 junction;

Construction of a bypass to the south of Huntingdon between the area near Trinity Foot and the A1, at both ends tying in with the existing A14.

A major road scheme between Ellington and Fen Ditton was cancelled in 2010 on affordability grounds. Since then the DfT has been working with local authorities and businesses through the A14 Challenge on alternatives to the previous scheme. Today's announcement is the outcome of this work.

The government has also identified a package of desirable rail investment that will include major improvements at Ely, Peterborough and Leicester, which will enable more freight to be carried by rail between Felixstowe and Nuneaton. The Secretary of State has allocated £200m to the Strategic Freight Network to fund network enhancements of

this kind at the request of the rail freight industry.

Also announced today is government support for a package of local public transport improvements which could include:

- ❖ Commercial - express bus services between Peterborough and Cambridge;
- ❖ A new park & ride site at Alconbury;
- ❖ Park & ride bus services to Cambridge via the Busway;
- ❖ A new 'Number 5' local bus service from Bar Hill to Cambridge via Science Park and Cambridge Science Park station.

Public Enquiries: 0300 330 3000



The Coffee Stop

This takes place every Wednesday at 10 am until 12 noon at the Library. Coffee, tea and biscuits are served, and it is a good opportunity to meet friends old and new and have a chat. Everyone is welcome. We support the "Friends of the Library" in making good use of this valuable resource and keeping it open for everyone. We would love to see you on a Wednesday morning.

The Friends of the Rosie Hospital, with your help, are making the Rosie a more comfortable environment for mothers and babies.

During 2012 we are selling raffle tickets at £1 each for an exquisite hand-embroidered double bed quilt worth £2,000 to be drawn at our AGM in 2013. You can buy tickets online through our website as well as from our Tea Bar, on the wards and our many stalls (see below). If you have any spare ribbons or yarn we are in urgent need of your donation.

Follow us on the Rosie in Stitches facebook page. Stall dates for the Autumn will be publicised next month

We have items for sale in our eBay Charity Store Rosieinstitches2010, also hart4334 and 1234_orridge are also selling items to benefit the Rosie.

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If you can improve our website, organise the three large stalls per year at Addenbrooke's Outpatients, provide transport for our volunteers or display a small selection of our wares please contact a member of the committee, details are given on our website.

Thank you for all your support.



Health and Wellbeing Strategy

The Draft Health & Wellbeing Strategy was successfully launched and we now have the important job of getting as many people to read it and fill in the questionnaire – as soon as possible. A link to the Cambs County Council page where the document and the questionnaire are is <http://tiny.cc/hezahw> (Appendix 4).

I'd like to encourage all readers to fill it in – and if possible to encourage others to do so. Parish councils, service users, interested parties, family members, anybody you can think of who lives in Cambridgeshire. The success of a consultation like this depends upon a good response from the public. Your help would be much appreciated. If any you would a hard copy, just email j.e.reynolds@ntlworld.com Though we'd prefer e-copies where possible to keep costs a bit lower.

Reducing Council Costs

Currently, the cost to the Council of 'home to school/college' transport for these routes is circa £488,000 per annum and this has been reduced to c £421,000 (13.8% reduction) as a result of a combination of restructuring the routes following a comprehensive home to school/college transport review in 2010/11 and the use of a new e-tendering procurement process.

Pressure to make saving in tough times

This financial year the County Council will need to make saving of £43m in its budget of £840m and around £200m in the coming five years, a massive task for all our staff in a world of increasing demand for Council services. All this is on top of the savings over the last three years of over £100m.

John Reynolds
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See also page 21 for more of John's reports

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FURTHER REPORTS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR JOHN REYNOLDS 14th JULY

Supporting older people to live independently

The Council is considering options to improve housing support for older people to ensure that resources are available to all those who need support. Currently, only those living in sheltered housing can benefit from support enabling them to live independently. For every person living in sheltered housing there are a further 19 older people without access to housing support services. Following Cabinet's decision to extend Supporting People sheltered housing contracts for a further 12 months, the Council is exploring options for re-modelling and expanding the service to include those living in the wider community. A Project Board with representation from a wide range of partners has been established. A public consultation will be taking place with older people already receiving a service as well as with the wider community to find out what services older people need in order to continue to live independently. This project will be a key contributor to the Adult Social Care prevention strategy, and has a strong connection to the "Community Navigator" initiative.

Northstowe

It is anticipated that the Development Framework will be considered by the Northstowe JDCC ahead of the Phase 1 application (Development Framework – July 2012. Phase 1 – possibly Autumn 2012).

Cambridge Rail Station bus interchange (Hills Road)

Three remaining bus stops in the new interchange went live in June which gives space for the remaining cycle stands to be installed outside the station. An independent audit of internal space for the multi-story cycle park will be undertaken by Sustrans (developer to pay fee).

A14 progress

The go ahead from DfT for the doubling of the size of the St Ives Park and Ride site and for providing six VMS signs on roads leading from Cambridge and Huntingdon warning of congestion on A14 has been given. This expenditure is authorised by the £20m special funding allocation from the Treasury to begin to address current congestion problems on the A14. The completion of the A14 Corridor Study is expected in summer 2012. There is also the need to prepare a plan in consultation with Government for the potential funding of the wider A14 scheme. This could include grants, tolling, LA contributions and EU grants.

If residents feel that there are too many reports by County Councillor John Reynolds in this edition, may I ask those residents to send some news articles to me! John's reports are relevant to us in the village, but I will put other articles in instead if residents send them to me. Are you all too busy going on holiday?
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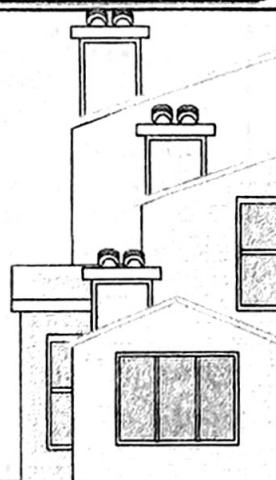
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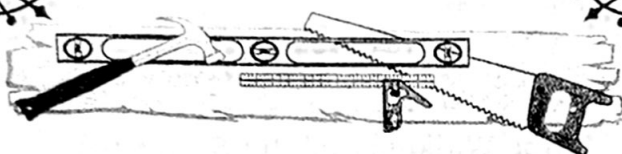
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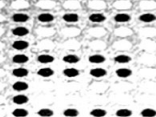
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Our raffle this month raised £50 which has been donated to Acorn House, part of Addenbrooke's where families can stay when they have a very sick child. Our speaker this month was Francis Shawcross who spoke to us about Bridal wear over the centuries. It's interesting that wearing white is a relatively new idea, coming in with the Victorians. Before this people wore their "best dress" or if you were very rich your dress would be lined with fur. Francis also showed us three dresses she had made over the years crafted with various "other uses" after the event, all so beautifully made.

Helen Collins

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Roads under pressure

Bar Hill like all towns and villages suffers from increasing traffic: maintaining the roads is a never ending task on very limited funding for County Council staff. We have seen two extremely bad winters resulting in more pot holes etc, but maintaining the road is important to all. As your County Councillor I continue to work with County officers to ensure maintaining the village roads and footways are seen as a priority. In the past three years we have had major repair work carried out on the perimeter road and resurfacing on a number of entrances to village roads. More recently resurfacing has been carried out on a number of internal village roads and more work is scheduled for the autumn. Work is planned later this year to resurface the entrance road between the two roundabouts.

Adult Services

Nationally we are slowly moving towards the sort of change we need in Adult Social care. With a draft bill due to be published this year and the Government accepting one of the most important principles in the Dilnott report - that there should be a cap on individual's personal contribution to social care. My fear is that they still do not accept the urgency of the need for wider change. One of the reasons that the funding situation is so difficult at the moment is that the previous Government buried its head in the sand over reform for 13 years. The longer that remains the case, the worse it will get.

John Reynolds

County Councillor

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See Page for more reports by John

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Childminders with Current Vacancies

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Karen 07930 196319
Jacky 780249
Kirsten G 200228
Kirsten C 202228

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Toddler Group
for Babies and Pre-school Children and their Parents/
Carers

We meet every Thursday 9.45 - 11.15 in the Octagon (term time only) £2.50 per family/carer - (or £1 per adult with only one child under one year old)- includes soft drinks and healthy snacks for the children hot drinks for the adults We have a large range of indoor and outdoor toys.

An Apology

'Little Bunnies' has become a victim of its own success and due to such vast numbers attending we have had to set a limit on the amount of people coming in for safety reasons.

We apologize if this has upset and inconvenienced people but safety is a priority. Please bear with us, we are trying to come up with a solution!

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Thanks to everyone for bearing with us during the computer system changeover. We hope you like the new self check-in screen located to the right of the reception desk (it will, in due course, be on the wall). If you haven't tried it please do so next time you have an appointment - It does save you queuing at reception. Used correctly it tells you who your appointment is **with**, the time of your appointment and also the number of appointments ahead of you. If you do not like new technology the reception staff will still check you in for your appointment

Appointment reminders

Our new system means that we can (with your permission) send you a text reminder of your appointments, therefore please let us know your mobile number so we can maximise this service.

Prescriptions

Please could we remind all of our patients that repeat prescription requests take **2 clear working days (not including Bank Holidays and weekends)** to process. We will, of course, continue to take emergency requests but these will need to be collected from the surgery within 24 hours.

Telephone line

In the last 2 months we have experienced problems with our phone line on 2 separate occasions which have been beyond our control. On both occasions the problem was found to be with the BT line to the surgery which had faulty wiring.

Bank Holiday Closure

We will be closed on Monday August 27th for the Bank Holiday.

Remember when we are closed cover is provided by our local Out of Hours Service (UCC) telephone **0330 123 9131** or call the surgery number and you will be put through to them automatically when we are closed.

They will offer you telephone advice and an appointment to see a doctor at Chesterton Medical Centre or a home visit if appropriate. This locally organised service is used by all Cambridgeshire GP surgeries and is the correct and best way to access medical care outside surgery hours. There is ample free parking and the service is manned by local GP's.

NHS direct on 0845 4647 is also useful if you just want some telephone advice.

Can we please ask that unless you have a life threatening condition or you think you may need an X Ray that you do not attend the A&E Departments of our local hospitals. Our emergency services are overstretched and undoubtedly there will be a long wait to see a doctor. Inappropriate use of A & E adversely affects dealing with genuine emergency cases.

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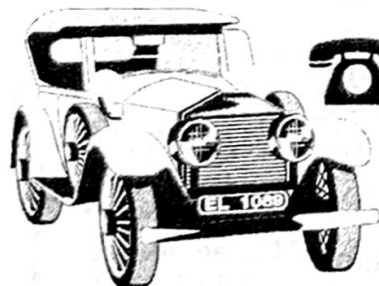
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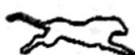
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This will keep you up to date on current affairs in the village including meeting minutes and agenda.

Village Notice Board

This is very popular with residents who stop and look at the notices as they come into the shopping area. May I remind residents/organisations that notices should not be placed on fences/street lights etc. Please send your notice to me for inclusion on the notice board.

Brambles and weeds

In my walks around the village, I have noticed that there are a lot of weeds and brambles growing up on the other side of resident's fences, which has started to encroach on to public footpaths. May I please ask that residents take a look on the outside of their fences and cut back if necessary. This will save the Parish Council a great deal of time and money.

Parish Council Meetings

There is no Parish Council Meeting during August due to the Council being in recess but for your information the next meeting will be on Thursday 20th September at 7 pm in the Parish Council Office and all members of the public and press are welcome to attend. There is also an Open Forum at the start of each meeting for residents to put their views across.

HANDY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Streetlights: **NEW 0800 7838247** (on sticker on light)
South Cambridgeshire District Council: (03450 450500) County Council (damaged paths and roads): (01223) 717111 Tesco—Stray trolleys 0800 50 55 55
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Leigh Baffa

Parish Clerk

Tel: 01954 780456

Email: bhillpc-1@btconnect.com

For those organisations which plan events in the village there will be a diary in my office for you to enter your event or to see what else is going on in the village.

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Interested residents are always welcome at our meetings which are usually held on the first Tuesday of the month at 8 pm in the Parish Council Office. The next meeting is on 6 August.



VILLAGE HALL

To book or contact us at the village hall, please telephone 01954 782414 and leave a message (speak slowly and clearly please) and we will call you back within 24 hours Monday-Friday, OR e-mail us on barhill.villagehall@btconnect.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

During the week we have all the following groups and clubs.

Mon	Helene Jones Dance	3.30-8.15 pm
<u>Helene's class is run in school term times only</u>		
Tues	Zumba	10 - 11 am
Tues	Shotokan Karate	5.45-8.00 pm
Tues	Danielle (Boot Camp)	8-9.00 pm
Wed	Helen Jones (Dance)	4-6.45 pm
Wed	Zumba	7-8 pm
Wed	Pilates	8-9 pm
Thurs	Zumba	9.30 - 10.30 am
Thurs	Pilates	10.30-11.30 am
Thurs	Weightwatchers	6.30 7.30 pm
Fri	Martial Arts	6.30-8.30 pm
Sat	Sweat and Tone	8 - 9 am
Sat	Zumba	9 - 10 am
Sun	Bingo (doors open 7.15)	7.45-9.30 pm

Cash prices - No Bingo on Bank Holiday Sundays
(Please contact the office for details)

Carol Griffin



Bar Hill Parent and Toddler Group

Wednesday and Friday 9:45 to 11:15 am

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2nd August Walk to Dry Drayton for some liquid refreshment Venue:- The Black Horse

16th August Women in Sport – We consult the Research Bank to find out about sporting ladies Venue:- Pat's

30th August Countdown Venue:- Di's

The Bar Hill NWR group meets informally on alternate Thursday evenings and we pay just £1.00 per meeting to cover costs. If you would like more information or someone to accompany you to a meeting, please don't hesitate to call Jenny O'Dell on 201269 or Jackie Ellis on 780523. NWR can also be found on www.nwr.org.uk. Why not have a look!

Neighbourhood Watch

"While the cat's away the mice will play"

While you're away.....?

Please remember, that unlike many of us, criminals don't take a holiday from their work – except perhaps at our expense through their ill gotten gains. So if you are going away:-

- ☺ Use timers for radios and lights.
- ☺ Ensure post cannot be seen piled on the doormat
- ☺ Invite a neighbour to put their car on your drive.
- ☺ Cancel deliveries

In fact anything that makes your house looked lived in still. And if you are staying at home, please be alert and report any suspicious activity to the police using 101 (or 999 if a crime is happening).

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We are registered with OSTED: this enables parents/guardians who are eligible, to claim up to 70% of their childcare costs. We are also able to accept childcare vouchers eg Fair Care and Busy Bees.

Our opening hours are:

Term Time 3.10 pm – 6 pm Monday to Friday

School Holidays 8.15 – 6 pm Monday to Friday

We are now taking bookings for our Holiday Club, for the June half term and the summer holidays. During the school holidays we also offer full and part time childcare as well as occasional childcare. We also run special craft and come-to-play sessions during the school holidays 10 am—12 noon which have proved very popular, both with children and their parents/carers. It's a chance to get your shopping done or maybe do something for yourself!

Please feel free to contact us if you would like any more information or would like to come along and see what we have to offer.

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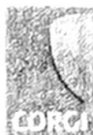
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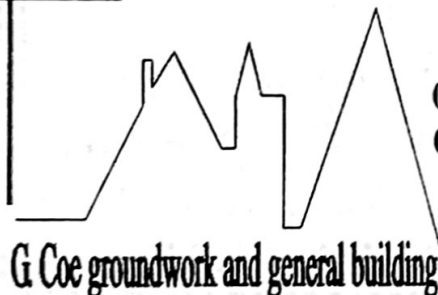
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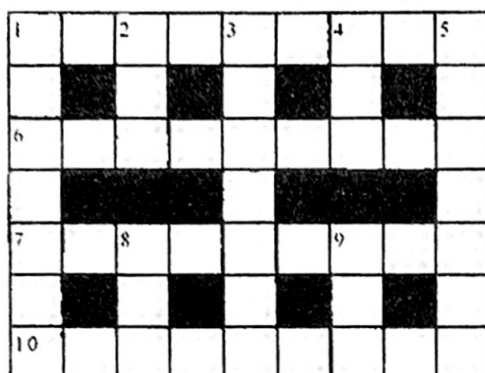
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Clues for August

Across: 1 soothed, 6 hazardous, 7 Midlands city, 10 Place of Safety

Down: 1 snuggles, 2 male, 3 well off, 4 more than one, 5 ruin, 8 pub, 9 hot beverage

Bar Hill Ecumenical Church - Services for August

At present Bar Hill church has no resident minister. The services will continue as normal led by lay members of the congregation and guest ministers. If you need to speak to someone from the church, leave a message with the Church Centre Manager or any member of the Church Council whose email addresses are on the website.



Sun 5th	10 am	Holy Communion
		No Evening Service
Sun 12 th	8 am	Holy Communion
	10 am	Morning worship
		No evening service
Sun 19 th	10 am	Holy Communion
		No evening service
Wed 22 nd	10 am	Monthly communion
Sun 26 th	10 am	Morning worship
	6.30 pm	Quiet communion

Our new minister, Charles, will be joining us around the end of September. Read about him on the church website barhill-church.org.uk.

There is a Roman Catholic mass every Saturday at 6 pm
Contacts: Church Centre Manager Tel 206120 (office hours
Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9.30 – 10.30)
Website barhillchurch.org.uk

Everyone is always welcome to all Bar Hill Church services

The Catholic Church of Our Lady and the English Martyrs Hills Road, Cambridge (The Catholic Church serving Bar Hill)

Parish Priest: Mgr Peter Leeming Tel: 01223 350787
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Local contact: Bunty Waters Tel: 201421

Mass at Bar Hill Octagon Saturdays: 6 pm First Mass of Sunday

Masses in the Parish Church in Cambridge

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Tuesday 8 am and 7.30 pm
Saturday 6 pm First Mass of Sundays
Also 5 pm at The Ark, Cambourne, and 6 pm at Bar Hill Church Centre

Holydays of Obligation 8 am, 10 am, 7.30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday 6.45 pm (not after Mass)
Saturday 10.30 – 11.15 am, 4.30 – 5.15 pm, 7 – 7.45 pm

Details of other services are published in the weekly newsletter which is available at the 6 pm Mass each Saturday – copies are available in the Church Centre.

Football Project



The pitch is available to hire in the evenings.

The pitch is suitable for football and many other sporting activities such as mini tennis, hockey, bowls, volleyball and multi sports - it's a great venue for birthday parties. If you wish to find out more about hiring the facility then contact our Bookings Secretary, Julie Marin on 781838.

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Our ethos is to ensure a high quality of care and education by focussing on each individual child's ability, interests and we encourage their development throughout the Early Years Foundation stage.

Our key person and buddy system enables our Early Years team to meet the needs of individuals through planning child focussed next steps.

We have a snack bar where all children in turn prepare a variety of healthy balanced foods for themselves and peers twice a day.

Snack times help children to develop independence through preparing, making choices, serving food and refreshments.

We pride ourselves in providing outstanding Parental/Carer partnership and use communication diaries to encourage working together.

Moving on sessions

These sessions are for children in their final year at Pre School. This is a more structured session preparing children for school entry.

Flexible childcare and Early Years funding

We are registered for and offer 15 hours free flexible childcare for the term after a child's 3rd birthday.

Playtots Sessions

These are held at the Village Hall on Tuesday 9.15-10.45. They are for Parents/Carers and children up to 5 years old including babies. We have lots of fun and have a large selection of indoor/outdoor activities including our soft play den and toys especially for the tots. Sessions are held on a pay as you play basis. Drinks and healthy snacks are provided.

For more information please contact either Pre School on the above numbers or feel free to pop in and meet our Managers and Early Years team during session times.

Our session allocation Co-ordinator Sarah is always on hand to support you through the registration process. Email: enquiries@barhillpreschool.co.uk
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